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SUBJECT: NEW TIMES SEES U.S. MILITARY SALES TO CHINA

REF: A. MOSCOW 762

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1. ALLEGED WESTERN MILITARY SALES TO CHINA HAVE  
AGAIN ATTRACTED THE ATTENTION OF THE SOVIET PRESS  
(REFTELS). NEW TIMES FEB 8 REPLAYS A STORY FROM  
INDIAN MAGAZINE BLITZ CLAIMING THAT PRC INTERESTED  
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IN BUYING ARMS FROM U.S. AND OTHER NATO MEMBERS.

PENTAGON OFFICIALS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE ADMITTED THAT  
HELICOPTERS BOUGHT FROM U.S. WILL "PROBABLY BE USED  
TO PATROL SINO-SOVIET BORDER." U.S. REPORTEDLY  
EXPECTS TO BUILD HELICOPTER ASSEMBLY PLANT IN SIAN.  
CATERPILLAR TRACTOR HAS ALLEGEDLY AGREED TO BUILD TANK  
FACTORY IN PRC.

2. FRG, FRANCE AND UK ARE ALSO SAID TO BE INVOLVED IN  
MILITARY SALES TO CHINA. ONLY DETAILS PROVIDED BY  
NEW TIMES ARE SOURCED TO LONDON OBSERVER, WHICH  
REPORTEDLY SAYS ROLLS-ROYCE ENGINES WILL BE USED TO  
IMPROVE PERFORMANCE OF CHINESE FIGHTERS.  
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